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UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Basketball @ CIAU Nationals in Halifax, March 16-18

Alpine Skiing @ CAN-AM Race, Mount Orford, March 22-24

STINGERS TO FACE X-MEN IN FIRST ROUND OF THE NATIONALS

Men's Basketball Update: The 4th ranked Stingers, having already advanced to the National Championship, defeated the University of Toronto Varsity Blues 88-67 for the O.U.A.A. East Division Championship. The Stingers then lost to the University of Guelph Gryphons in a thrilling 90-89 overtime game for the Wilson Cup. In Toronto, the Stingers were down by 15 points with six minutes left in the first half. Reserve forward **Ernie Rosa** (Montreal, Que.) led all players with a career high 22 points. Concordia outscored Toronto 62-25 over the final 26 minutes. Against Guelph, the Stingers were led by senior forward **Nick Arvanitis** (Montreal, Que.) who had 24 points and 12 rebounds.

This Week: The Stingers face the 5th ranked St. Francis Xavier X-men in the first round of the National Championship Friday, March 16 at 8:00 p.m. The winner of this game will go on to meet either #1 ranked Alberta or #8 ranked Acadia Saturday.

A Quick Look at St. Francis Xavier: The X-men led the A.U.A.A. throughout the season, finishing with a record of 15-3. They lost the A.U.A.A. Championship game to 8th ranked Acadia by a score of 72-62. However, they gained entry into the National Tournament by being awarded one of two wild card positions. The team is led by co-captain guards **Wade Smith** (19.4 ppg) and **Augy Jones** (12 ppg). An impressive newcomer is conference Rookie of the Year **Richard Bella**, who joined Smith on the A.U.A.A. All-Star team. The 6-8 centre is the fourth best rebounder in the nation, averaging 11.2 boards per game and has the eighth best shooting percentage at 62.6%. Bella, along with forwards **Aristide Nguilbet** (6-8) and **Guy Mbongo** (6-6) are all from the Central African Republic. All three players represented their country in the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

Graduating Players: Four players will play their last collegiate games at the National Tournament this weekend. Fourth-year captain **Nick Arvanitis**, fourth-year guard **Michael Cohee**, fifth-year guard **Mike Baker** and fourth-year forward **Hugh Wallace** will all graduate at the end of the year. These four have accounted for 45% of the Stinger points this year.

At the Nationals: Head Coach John Dore, who coached the Stingers to a 22-7 record in his first season, can be reached at the Halifax Sheraton during the National Tournament. Please phone (902) 421-1266 for further information.

Stinger Team Stats:

RECORD BY:

DAY OF THE WEEK: MONDAYS 0-0; TUESDAYS 3-1; WEDNESDAYS 0-0;
THURSDAYS 0-0; FRIDAYS 11-2; SATURDAYS 5-4;
SUNDAYS 3-0.

MONTHS: NOVEMBER 6-3; DECEMBER 3-0; JANUARY 7-1, FEBRUARY 6-3.

RECORD WHEN:

OPPONENTS SCORE: 80 or less (14-0), over 80 (8-7).

STINGER FIELD GOAL % IS: .500 or higher (10-0), under .500 (12-7).

OPPONENT'S FIELD GOAL % IS: under .450 (13-0), between .45-.500 (7-4), over .500 (2-3).

OUTSHOOTING OPP: 18-0. **OUTSHOT BY OPP:** 4-7.

OUTREBOUNDING OPP: 19-4 **OUTREBOUNDED BY OPP:** 2-3

EQUAL REBOUNDS: 1-0

Player Stats: (League and Playoffs)

<u>POINTS PER MINUTE PLAYED</u>	<u>REBOUNDS PER MINUTE PLAYED</u>
Dino Perin	.586
Michael Cohee	.580
Nick Arvanitis	.575
Ernie Rosa	.545
Robert Ferguson	.409
TEAM	.469
Ian Ployart	.400
Dino Perin	.331
Ernie Rosa	.294
Nick Arvanitis	.277
Hugh Wallace	.211
TEAM	.212

Stinger Stats:

PTS-Nick Arvanitis (16.7); Michael Cohee (16.2).

MIN-Nick Arvanitis (29); Michael Cohee (28); Robert Ferguson (28).

FG%- Dino Perin (60.2); Hugh Wallace (60.0).

3FG%-Nick Arvanitis (100.0); Michael Cohee (44.4).

FT%-Raphael Tyrrell (84.6); Dino Perin (78.7).

REB-Dino Perin (9.0); Nick Arvanitis (8.0).

ASS-Mike Baker (2.9); Robert Ferguson (2.0).

PF-Dino Perin (3.5); Ernie Rosa (2.8).

CONCORDIA STINGER BASKETBALL CAPSULES

Nick Arvanitis: The fourth year forward and team leader has been a consistent performer for the Stingers since joining the team from Vanier College. Arvanitis had a career high 18 rebounds against District of Columbia on Nov. 12, 1989. He is averaging 16.7 points per game scoring a career high of 27 points against Ryerson. Arvanitis (6-5, 202) is leading the team in scoring as well as in minutes played per game. Arvanitis has scored in double figures 27 out of 29 games this year. He has also recorded 12 double/doubles (points/rebounds). The Montreal native was named to the Centennial Basketball Tournament all-star team for the third straight year in November. In the Toronto playoff game Arvanitis passed Coach John Dore on the Stingers All-time scoring list. He then passed John Englis to move into fourth place with 1819 career points.

Dino Perin: The third year center and 1989-90 OUAA All-Star had a career high 29 points against Ottawa in Concordia's first league game on November 24. Perin (6-8, 215) enjoys playing against Ottawa based teams as he had a season high 17 rebounds against Carleton in the second league game the next night. This was one short of his career high 18 rebounds set against McGill in 1987-88. Perin leads the team in rebounding averaging 9.0 boards per game and is third in scoring with his 15.8 points per game average. He is seventh in the country in rebounding. After finishing fourth in the country in field goal percentage last year with 63.9, he led the Stingers converting 60.4% in the regular season. Perin has moved into tenth place on Concordia's All-time scoring list with 1360 points.

Michael Cohee: The third year swing guard is second in team scoring this year, averaging 15.8 points per league game. Cohee (6-1, 165) had a season high 27 points against Toronto and has hit double figures in 20 games this year. One of the top defensive players in the OUAA, Cohee was recently named to the OUAA East Division All-Star team. He is the team's best 3 point shooter converting 44.4%. Cohee has averaged 5.8 rebounds a game from the guard position. He had a team high eight assists against District of Columbia (N.C.A.A. Division I) and is leading the team with 115 free throws. He has scored in double figures his last 12 games and was the team MVP last year. Cohee sits number nine on Concordia's All-time scoring list with 1363 points.

Robert Ferguson: Ferguson (6-2, 186) is fourth in team scoring averaging 11.5 points per league game. He has recorded 2 double/doubles (points/rebounds) this year and has a team high 34 three-pointers. This rookie started every league game and was an All-Canadian at Vanier College in 88-89. In 1987 he was named the CCAA Championship MVP. Ferguson had a career high 23 points and seven assists against York on December 3rd, 1989. He has hit double figures in 12 games this year. The Montreal native did a masterful job on All-Canadian David King to vault the Stingers into the National Tournament. King scored a season low 8 points while Ferguson netted 16 in the East Section Championship.